Location: Church Street Public Toilets

Officer Completing Form: A Greaves Date Completed: 22nd May 2020

**Overall risk rating: 6 (LOW)**

**Instructions:**

1. This applies to all work activities that fall under this activity.
2. If this risk assessment does not cover all of the hazards and existing control measures required relevant to your service, you should add them below at ‘Other risks (please detail)’ and notify the Corporate Health and Safety Team by sending the risk assessment attached to the email.
3. If further controls are necessary, these should be recorded in the ‘Additional controls to reduce risk’ column and a revised lower score given.
4. Please communicate this risk assessment to all your staff e.g. via email, team meetings etc evidencing how you do this.
5. Review the risk assessment annually, after an accident/incident or significant changes to the workplace or working processes.

**Terminology:**

* **Activity**- The use of facility being undertaken.
* **Hazard**- Something with the potential to cause harm. Harm can be physical, chemical, biological or psychological.
* **Control Measures-** Actions taken to prevent hazard being realised. Control measures can include such areas as training, supervision, safe systems of work, maintenance procedures, physical measures such as guarding and personal protective equipment.
* **Likelihood** – the chances of harm occurring on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being highly unlikely and 5 being highly likely
* **Risk Rating-** Multiply the likelihood figure by the severity figure to get the risk rating after the existing control measures have been considered.
* **Severity** – the level of harm/injury caused by the accident or incident, on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being First aid required and 5 being a fatality.

**Likelihood (L) × Severity (S)   
= Risk Rating (RR):**

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| S = 3 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 12 | 15 |
| S = 4 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 20 |
| S = 5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 |

**Possible Likelihood**

5 Highly likely

4 Likely

3 Possible

2 Unlikely

1 Highly unlikely

**Possible Severity**

5 Fatality

4 Major injury

3 Hospital treatment

2 First aid required

1 No injury

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| Rating | Action |
| 15-25 Very High | Work should not be undertaken without reducing risk |
| 10-12 High | As above |
| 8-9 Moderate | Work fine to continue. Additional controls should be considered |
| 4-6 Low | Work fine to continue with existing controls |
| 1-3 Very Low | As above |

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| **Activity** | **Nature of hazard and potential injuries** | **Persons at risk** | **Existing control measures** | **Current risk rating** | | | **Additional controls to reduce risk** | **Revised risk rating** | | |
| **L** | **S** | **RR** |  | **L** | **S** | **RR** |
| Visitor use of public toilets in Church Street | Increased risk of infection from Covid-19 from members of the public with lockdown eased – unrestricted number and length of park visits and High Street shops re-opening | Visitors using toilets and sanitation facilities | All existing non-coronavirus related health and safety requirements continue to apply, four-daily inspection, checking and cleaning by AA Cleaning (contractors), provision of hand-washing and drying facilities.  Social distancing site signage in place. [Two-metre social distancing advice](https://bhive.bexley.gov.uk/news/keep-your-distance/)  Signs and messages to build awareness of good handwashing technique and other hygiene behaviours for example around coughing and sneezing.  Markings 2m from toilet entrance to allow users to enter and exit safely and define queue area  Visitors advised in advance via social media that social distancing guidelines mean there will be queues for public toilets.  Main doors kept open to encourage ventilation where possible and safe to do so.  Implementation of a routine programme of deep cleaning.  Incident reporting – invite visitor feedback, including concerns regarding failure to maintain social distancing and/or anti-social behaviours via enquiries|@oakhamtowncouncil.gov.uk | 2 | 3 | 6[[1]](#footnote-1) |  |  |  |  |

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**Resources consulted**

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/safer-public-places-urban-centres-and-green-spaces-covid-19>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/construction-and-other-outdoor-work#outdoors-5-3>

<https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/884370/coronavirus-covid-19-safer-transport-guidance-for-operators.pdf>

1. *You are very unlikely to be infected by walking past another person. Public Health England (PHE) recommends trying to keep 2 metres away from people, where possible, as a precaution. However, this is not a rule and the science is complex. The key thing is not to be too close to people for more than a short amount of time, as much as you can*.’, <https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/884370/coronavirus-covid-19-safer-transport-guidance-for-operators.pdf>, p. 8. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)